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REMARKS

1. a. The 41st Air Regt ("T.G. Masaryka")
was an air reconnaissance regiment (Zpravodajsky pluk).

b. Each squadron was equipped with 10 twin-engine Siebel C-3s. The regimental headquarters had 8 to 10 officers and an unknown number of EM. The first squadron numbered 3 officers, 6 reserve officer candidates, 6 regular NCOs and 80 to 90 EM.

2. CO of the regiment was Col Rydl. His predecessor was Col Strof who was arrested on 1 October 1948. CO of the first squadron was Staff Capt Kudr and CO of the second squadron Staff Capt Frantisek Novak. Two officers ranking as captains, who had a wrong accent (probably Soviets), were on the staff of the political school.
3. The regiment was stationed at the Milovice airfield (O 51/G 10) until 15 June 1949 and later at the Havlickuv Brod (O 50/M 64) field.
4. The main task of the regiment was to conduct air reconnaissance and assist the survey work done by the Mapping Section. The regiment was also assigned to combat partisans in Slovakia and, for lack of twin-engine aircraft in the Czechoslovakian Air Force, to the

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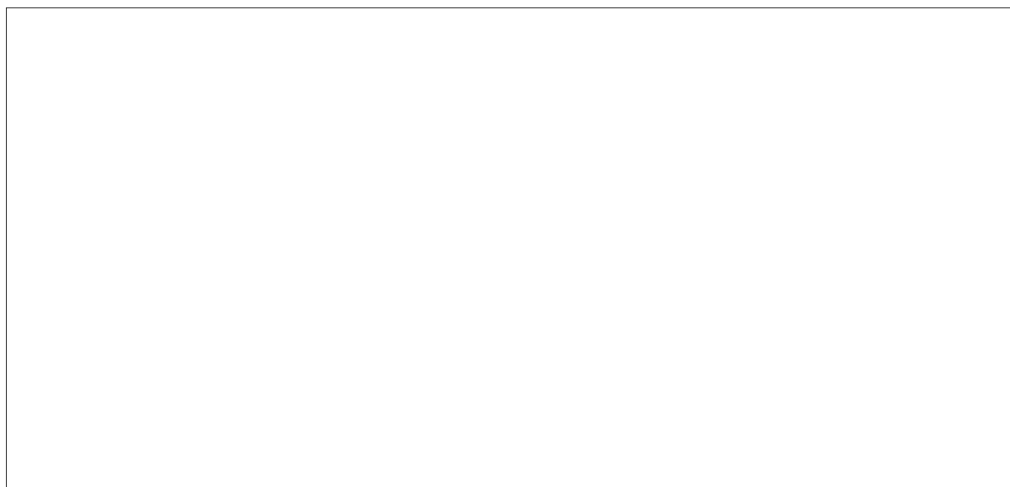
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spraying of insecticides. Practice flights were made with individual planes and formation flights only at parades.

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